

21 June 1968

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD**

**SUBJECT: H.R. 5404 - National Science Foundation**

1. H.R. 5404 is a comprehensive measure designed to expand and refine the functions of the National Science Foundation. It passed the House on 12 April 1967 and the Senate on 24 May 1968 in amended form. As of 21 June 1968 it was still on the Speaker's table.

2. Among other things, H.R. 5404 requires the National Science Foundation to identify Federal research monies by certain recipients and report annually to the President and Congress. As passed by the House, the recipients included educational institutions, nonprofit organizations, and private contractors. The Senate dropped private contractors.

3. The security concern associated with a report on Agency research funding was raised with Admiral Taylor and Colonel White on 23 October 1967. It was agreed that there seemed to be no reasonable basis for the Agency to request an exemption from this provision, particularly since the provision as written seems to require reporting to Congress only the total funds received by recipients and does not impose a statutory requirement for identifying the specific Federal agencies involved. 25X1A

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